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House Resolution 79

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Heard of the 114th, and McKillip of the 115th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and honoring Shelby Lacy for a lifetime of outstanding service in the field of
- 2 nursing; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy, R.N. M.S.N., is the honoree of the 2006 Georgia Hospital
- 4 Association Lifetime Heroic Achievement Award in recognition of her 43 years of resolute
- 5 and altruistic dedication to health education and the practice of the healing arts; and
- 6 WHEREAS, for her indefatigable and visionary dedication, Shelby Lacy has been honored in
- 7 the past by receiving the Medical College of Georgia E. Lewis Grant Award for Distinguished
- 8 Alumni, being named Athens Woman of Distinction for the Girl Scouts of Northeast Georgia,
- 9 receiving the Distinguished Service Award from the Georgia Nurses Association, being named
- 10 Boss of the Year for Athens Regional Health Services, and receiving the Mary N. Long Award
- 11 for Innovation in Nursing Practice from the Georgia Nurses Foundation; and
- WHEREAS, she was instrumental in the creation of the Department of Education at the Athens
- 13 Regional Medical Center where she is currently manager of health education; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy is celebrated for her inspirational leadership, as demonstrated by her
- 15 promotion of new health programs in cardiac resuscitation, enterostomal therapy, infection
- 16 control, critical care education, CPR training, and nursing internships for recent graduates; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she was one of the primary leaders in establishing the Athens Clinic for the
- 18 Homeless, which saw almost 4,700 clients in 2005, and continues to serve on its Board of
- 19 Directors and has served as the chair of Clarke County's Board of Health, chair of the Athens-
- 20 Clarke County Family Connection Board, and two terms as president of Georgia Nurses
- Association District 11; and

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1 WHEREAS, she is also an indispensable member of the community, serving her fellow citizens

- 2 as a member of the Athens Pilot Club and the League of Women Voters and Partners for a
- 3 Prosperous Athens; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Shelby Lacy has brought great honor to the nursing profession, the City of Athens,
- 5 and the State of Georgia.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the
- 7 members of this body join in honoring the work of Shelby Lacy for her years of selfless work
- 8 as an outstanding nurse, health educator, and leader of the medical community.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and
- directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Shelby Lacy.